

Subject Fishing Licenses

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Overview

This bill would reduce the fee for an annual fishing license for residents 65 and over and compensate the game and fish fund for the resulting loss of revenue with a transfer of money from the general fund to the game and fish fund.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Receipts. Requires a new general fund transfer required under section 2 to be credited to the game and fish fund.
2	Reimbursement for reduced fishing license fees; 65 years of age and older. Requires the commissioner of natural resources to provide the commissioner of management and budget with the number of licenses sold to residents 65 years of age and older in the previous fiscal year by August 1 each year. Requires the commissioner of management and budget to calculate the estimated lost revenue from the reduced fishing license fees for residents 65 years of age and older using a formula provided and transfer that amount from the general fund to the game and fish fund by August 15 each year.
3	Resident fishing. Provides a reduced annual fishing license fee for residents age 65 and over (\$15 instead of \$25).
4	Effective date. Provides an effective date of July 1, 2025, for the bill.